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ELECTION

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement of 14 January 2003, Applicant elects the species in claims 5-7.

Claims readable on the species of Claims 5-7 are: 1, 5-36, and 38-44.

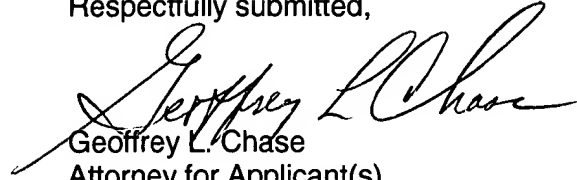
Applicant asserts that due to the limited number of claims which are not readable with the elected species, that the Examiner should examine all claims in one examination. The elected specie is a solvent ampoule and capture ampoule outside the chemical container. The specie of Claim 2 illustrated in FIG 3 is a subset of solvent and capture ampoules outside the chemical container. The only remaining specie is that of Claims 3-4 illustrated in FIG 2 which represents a similar search and examination to the other species. Applicant suggests that such a combined search and examination does not constitute an undue hardship on the Examiner. Therefore, all claims should be examined together and this restriction and election of specie requirement should be removed.

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Applicant appreciates the examination of Claims 1-44 because a restriction and/or election of specie is not warranted.

Respectfully submitted,

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